



New South Wales

# Electricity Infrastructure Investment Amendment (Tender Moratorium) Bill 2024

## Explanatory note

This explanatory note relates to this Bill as introduced into Parliament.

## Overview of Bill

The object of this Bill is to amend the *Electricity Infrastructure Investment Act 2020* to prohibit the conduct of a competitive tender for an LTES agreement until the completion of a parliamentary inquiry into the operation of that Act, including in relation to the following—

- (a) site selection,
- (b) impacts on agriculture and business,
- (c) the adequacy of regional community consultation,
- (d) the adequacy of related programs, projects, strategies and incentives for the relevant regions, including the adequacy of funding for the programs, projects, strategies and incentives.

## Outline of provisions

**Clause 1** sets out the name, also called the short title, of the proposed Act.

**Clause 2** provides for the commencement of the proposed Act.

**Schedule 1** gives effect to the object of the proposed Act.



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*This PUBLIC BILL, originated in the LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY and, having this day passed, is now ready for presentation to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.*

*Legislative Assembly*

*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly*



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No           , 2024

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## **A Bill for**

An Act to amend the *Electricity Infrastructure Investment Act 2020* to prohibit the conduct of a competitive tender for an LTES agreement until the completion of a parliament inquiry into the operation of that Act, including in relation to site selection, impacts on agriculture and business and the adequacy of regional community consultation; and for related matters.

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*The LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL has this day agreed to this Bill with/without amendment.*

*Legislative Council*

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*Clerk of the Parliaments*

**The Legislature of New South Wales enacts—**

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**1 Name of Act**

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This Act is the *Electricity Infrastructure Investment Amendment (Tender Moratorium) Act 2024*.

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**2 Commencement**

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This Act commences on the date of assent to this Act.

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<b>Schedule 1</b>	<b>Amendment of Electricity Infrastructure Investment Act 2020 No 44</b>	1
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<b>Section 80</b>		3
Insert after section 79—		4
<b>80</b>	<b>Moratorium on competitive tenders for LTES agreements</b>	5
(1)	The consumer trustee must not conduct a competitive tender for LTES agreements until the report on the outcome of the inquiry referred to in subsection (5) has been tabled in each House of Parliament.	6 7 8
(2)	As soon as practicable after the commencement of this section, the Legislative Assembly must designate, by resolution, a committee of the Legislative Assembly, or a joint committee of the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council for this section.	9 10 11 12
(3)	The designated committee, or joint committee, must conduct an inquiry into the operation of the Act, including in relation to the following—	13 14
(a)	site selection,	15
(b)	impacts on agriculture and business,	16
(c)	the adequacy of regional community consultation,	17
(d)	the adequacy of related programs, projects, strategies and incentives for the relevant regions, including the adequacy of funding for the programs, projects, strategies and incentives.	18 19 20
(4)	The inquiry must be conducted as soon as possible after the committee is designated.	21 22
(5)	A report on the outcome of the inquiry must be tabled in each House of Parliament.	23 24